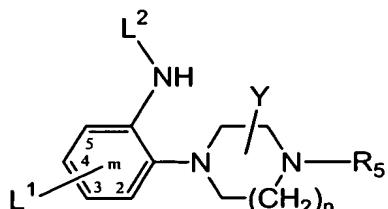


What is claimed is:

1. A compound of formula (I):



formula (I)

and enantiomers, diastereomers and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof, wherein:

L¹ is a substituent moiety having a variable position "m", wherein "m" represents a carbon atom number corresponding to a point of attachment for the L¹ substituent moiety on the anilino ring of formula (I);

L¹ is selected from the group consisting of R_{1b}, R₂-C(O), R_{1a}-SO₂ and R_{1a}-O(O)C-;

10 R_{1a} is C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₈)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₈)alkylamino, halogen and hydroxy;

R_{1b} is C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently

15 selected from the group consisting of amino, mono(C₁₋₈)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₈)alkylamino, halogen and hydroxy;

R₂ is heterocyclyl optionally substituted on a nitrogen atom with C₁₋₈alkyl;

20 L² is selected from the group consisting of R₃-C(O)-, R₄-SO₂-, R₆-NHC(S)- and R₆-NHC(O)-;

R₃ is selected from the group consisting of

(a) C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, hydroxy, aryl and heteroaryl; wherein said aryl is optionally substituted with one or more substituents

independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl,
C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano,
halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,
wherein said heteroaryl is optionally substituted on a secondary amine atom
5 with C₁₋₈alkyl, and optionally and independently substituted on one or
more carbon atoms with a substituent selected from the group consisting
of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino,
di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;
(b) aryl optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected
10 from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino,
mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;
and,
(c) heteroaryl optionally substituted on a secondary amine atom with C₁₋₈alkyl, and
15 optionally and independently substituted on one or more carbon atoms with a
substituent selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino,
mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro and
aryl, wherein said aryl is optionally substituted with one or more substituents
independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy,
amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and
nitro;
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R₄ is selected from the group consisting of

(d) C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently
selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino,
di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, hydroxy, aryl and heteroaryl; and,
25
(e) aryl optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected
from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino,
mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;
30 R₆ is aryl optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected
from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino,
mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

R₅ is selected from the group consisting of

(f) C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or more aryl substituents, wherein said aryl is optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino,

5 mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro, aryl' and heteroaryl;

wherein said aryl' is optionally substituted with one or more substituents

independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl,

C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano,

10 halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,

wherein said heteroaryl is optionally substituted on a secondary amine atom

with C₁₋₈alkyl, and optionally and independently substituted on one or

more carbon atoms with a substituent selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino,

15 di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

(g) C₃₋₈cycloalkyl optionally substituted with one or more substituents

independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy,

amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,

20 (h) aryl optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

Y is one or more optionally present C₁₋₈alkyl substituents optionally substituted with

25 one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro, C₃₋₈cycloalkyl, aryl and heteroaryl, wherein said C₃₋₈cycloalkyl, aryl and heteroaryl are optionally further substituted;

30 m is an integer from 2 to 5 which represents the carbon atom number corresponding to the point of attachment for the L¹ substituent moiety on the anilino ring of formula (I); and, n is an integer from 1 to 2.

2. The compound of claim 1, wherein when L^2 is $R_3\text{-C(O)-}$ and R_3 is selected from the group consisting of unsubstituted $C_{1-8}\text{alkyl}$, substituted aryl, unsubstituted aryl, substituted heteroaryl and unsubstituted heteroaryl, then L^1 is $R_2\text{-C(O)}$.

5 3. The compound of claim 1, wherein when L^2 is $R_3\text{-C(O)-}$ and R_3 is selected from the group consisting of unsubstituted $C_{1-8}\text{alkyl}$, substituted aryl, unsubstituted aryl, substituted heteroaryl and unsubstituted heteroaryl, then R_5 is $C_{1-8}\text{alkyl}$ optionally substituted with one or more optionally substituted aryl substituents.

10 4. The compound of claim 1, wherein when L^2 is $R_4\text{-SO}_2\text{-}$ and R_4 is unsubstituted $C_{1-8}\text{alkyl}$, then L^1 is $R_2\text{-C(O)}$, wherein R_2 is substituted or unsubstituted heterocyclyl.

5. The compound of claim 1, wherein when L^2 is $R_4\text{-SO}_2\text{-}$ and R_4 is unsubstituted $C_{1-8}\text{alkyl}$, then R_5 is $C_{1-8}\text{alkyl}$ optionally substituted with one or more optionally substituted aryl substituents.

15 6. The compound of claim 1, wherein when L^1 is selected from the group consisting of R_{1b} and $R_{1a}\text{-O(O)C-}$, then L^2 is $R_6\text{-NHC(O)-}$, wherein R_6 is substituted or unsubstituted aryl.

20 7. The compound of claim 1, wherein when L^1 is selected from the group consisting of R_{1b} and $R_{1a}\text{-O(O)C-}$, then R_5 is $C_{1-8}\text{alkyl}$ optionally substituted with one or more optionally substituted aryl substituents.

25 8. The compound of claim 1, wherein R_{1a} is $C_{1-8}\text{alkyl}$ optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of $C_{1-8}\text{alkoxy}$, amino, mono(C_{1-8})alkylamino, di(C_{1-8})alkylamino, halogen and hydroxy;

30 R_{1b} is $C_{1-8}\text{alkyl}$ optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of amino, mono(C_{1-8})alkylamino, di(C_{1-8})alkylamino, halogen and hydroxy;

R₃ is selected from the group consisting of

(a) C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, hydroxy, aryl and heteroaryl;
5 wherein said aryl is optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,
10 wherein said heteroaryl is optionally substituted on a secondary amine atom with C₁₋₈alkyl, and optionally and independently substituted on one or two carbon atoms with a substituent selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;
15 (b) aryl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,
(c) heteroaryl optionally substituted on a secondary amine atom with C₁₋₈alkyl, and
20 optionally and independently substituted on one or two carbon atoms with a substituent selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro and aryl, wherein said aryl is optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;
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R₄ is selected from the group consisting of

(d) C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, hydroxy, aryl and heteroaryl; and,
30 (e) aryl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino,

mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

R₆ is aryl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected

from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino,

5 mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

R₅ is selected from the group consisting of

(f) C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or two aryl substituents, wherein said aryl is optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently

10 selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro, aryl' and heteroaryl;

wherein said aryl' is optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl,

15 C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,

wherein said heteroaryl is optionally substituted on a secondary amine atom with C₁₋₈alkyl, and optionally and independently substituted on one or two carbon atoms with a substituent selected from the group consisting

20 of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

(g) C₃₋₈cycloalkyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino,

mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

25 and,

(h) aryl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino,

mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,

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Y is one or two optionally present C₁₋₈alkyl substituents optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro,

C₃₋₈cycloalkyl, aryl and heteroaryl, wherein said C₃₋₈cycloalkyl, aryl and heteroaryl are optionally further substituted;

9. The compound of claim 1, wherein when L² is R₃-C(O)- and R₃ is selected from the group consisting of unsubstituted C₁₋₈alkyl, substituted aryl, unsubstituted aryl, substituted heteroaryl and unsubstituted heteroaryl, then R₅ is C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or two optionally substituted aryl substituents.
10. The compound of claim 1, wherein when L² is R₄-SO₂- and R₄ is unsubstituted C₁₋₈alkyl, then R₅ is C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or two optionally substituted aryl substituents.
11. The compound of claim 1, wherein when L¹ is selected from the group consisting of R_{1b} and R_{1a}-O(O)C-, then R₅ is C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or two optionally substituted aryl substituents.
12. The compound of claim 1, wherein R_{1a} is C₁₋₄alkyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, halogen and hydroxy;
- 25 R_{1b} is C₁₋₄alkyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, halogen and hydroxy;
- R₂ is piperazinyl optionally substituted on a nitrogen atom with C₁₋₄alkyl;
- L² is selected from the group consisting of R₃-C(O)-, R₄-SO₂- and R₆-NHC(O)-;
- 30 R₃ is selected from the group consisting of
 - (a) C₁₋₄alkyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, hydroxy, aryl and heteroaryl;

(b) aryl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, halogen and hydroxy; and,

(c) heteroaryl optionally substituted on a secondary amine atom with C₁₋₄alkyl, and

5 optionally and independently substituted on one or two carbon atoms with a substituent selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro and aryl, wherein said aryl is optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

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R₄ is selected from the group consisting of

(d) C₁₋₄alkyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, hydroxy, aryl and heteroaryl; and,

(e) aryl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

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R₆ is aryl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

25 R₅ is selected from the group consisting of

(f) C₁₋₄alkyl optionally substituted with one or two aryl substituents, wherein said aryl is optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro, aryl' and heteroaryl;

30 wherein said aryl' is optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano,

halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,
wherein said heteroaryl is optionally substituted on a secondary amine atom
with C₁₋₄alkyl, and optionally and independently substituted on one or
two carbon atoms with a substituent selected from the group consisting
5 of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino,
di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;
(g) C₃₋₈cycloalkyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently
selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino,
mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;
10 and,
(h) aryl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected
from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino,
mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

15 Y is absent;

m is an integer from 3 to 4 which represents the carbon atom number corresponding to
the point of attachment for the L¹ substituent moiety on the anilino ring of
formula (I); and, n is 1.

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13. The compound of claim 12, wherein
R_{1a} is C₁₋₄alkyl;

R_{1b} is hydroxy(C₁₋₄)alkyl-;

25 R₃ is selected from the group consisting of
(a) C₁₋₄alkyl;
(b) phenyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently
selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino,
30 mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, halogen and hydroxy; and,
(c) furyl optionally and independently substituted on one or two carbon atoms with
a substituent selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino,
mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and aryl,

wherein said aryl is optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

5

R₄ is selected from the group consisting of

- (d) C₁₋₄alkyl; and,
- (e) phenyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

10

R₆ is phenyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

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and,

R₅ is selected from the group consisting of

- (f) C₁₋₄alkyl optionally substituted with one or two aryl substituents, wherein aryl is optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro, aryl' and heteroaryl;
- (g) C₃₋₈cycloalkyl; and,
- (h) aryl.

25 14. The compound of claim 13, wherein R₃ is selected from the group consisting of

- (a) C₁₋₄alkyl;
- (b) phenyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl and halogen; and,
- (c) furyl optionally and independently substituted on one or two carbon atoms with a substituent selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl and phenyl; wherein said phenyl is optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl and halogen;

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R₄ is selected from the group consisting of

- (d) C₁₋₄alkyl; and,
- (e) phenyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl and halogen;

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R₆ is phenyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, amino, halogen and hydroxy; and,

R₅ is C₁₋₄alkyl optionally substituted with one or two phenyl substituents, wherein

10 phenyl is optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, amino, halogen and hydroxy.

15. The compound of claim 1, wherein R_{1a} is C₁₋₄alkyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₈)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₈)alkylamino, halogen and hydroxy.

16. The compound of claim 1, wherein R_{1a} is C₁₋₄alkyl optionally substituted with one substituent selected from the group consisting of amino, mono(C₁₋₈)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₈)alkylamino, halogen and hydroxy.

20. The compound of claim 1, wherein R_{1a} is C₁₋₄alkyl.

18. The compound of claim 1, wherein R_{1b} is C₁₋₄alkyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of amino, mono(C₁₋₈)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₈)alkylamino and hydroxy.

25. The compound of claim 1, wherein R_{1b} is C₁₋₄alkyl optionally substituted with one substituent selected from the group consisting of amino, mono(C₁₋₈)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₈)alkylamino, halogen and hydroxy.

30. The compound of claim 1, wherein R_{1b} is C₁₋₄alkyl optionally substituted with hydroxy.

21. The compound of claim 1, wherein R₂ is piperazinyl optionally substituted on a nitrogen atom with C₁₋₄alkyl.

5 22. The compound of claim 1, wherein L² is R₃-C(O)-.

23. The compound of claim 22, wherein R₃ is selected from the group consisting of

10 (a) C₁₋₄alkyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, hydroxy, aryl and heteroaryl;

 (b) aryl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, halogen and hydroxy;

 (c) heteroaryl optionally substituted on a secondary amine atom with C₁₋₄alkyl, and optionally and independently substituted on one or two carbon atoms with a substituent selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro and aryl, wherein said aryl is optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro.

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24. The compound of claim 22, wherein R₃ is selected from the group consisting of

15 (a) C₁₋₄alkyl;

25 (b) phenyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, halogen and hydroxy; and,

 (c) furyl optionally and independently substituted on one or two carbon atoms with a substituent selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and aryl, wherein said aryl is optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and

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nitro.

25. The compound of claim 22, wherein R₃ is selected from the group consisting of
 - (a) C₁₋₄alkyl;
 - 5 (b) phenyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl and halogen; and,
 - (c) furyl optionally and independently substituted on one or two carbon atoms with a substituent selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl and phenyl; wherein said phenyl is optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl and halogen.
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26. The compound of claim 1, wherein L² is R₃-C(O)- and R₅ is C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or two optionally substituted aryl substituents.
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27. The compound of claim 26, wherein R₃ is selected from the group consisting of
 - (a) C₁₋₄alkyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, hydroxy, aryl and heteroaryl;
 - (b) aryl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, halogen and hydroxy;
 - 20 (c) heteroaryl optionally substituted on a secondary amine atom with C₁₋₄alkyl, and optionally and independently substituted on one or two carbon atoms with a substituent selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro and
 - 25 aryl, wherein said aryl is optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro.
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28. The compound of claim 1, wherein L² is R₄-SO₂-.
29. The compound of claim 28, wherein R₄ is selected from the group consisting of

(d) C₁₋₄alkyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, hydroxy, aryl and heteroaryl; and,

(e) aryl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro.

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30. The compound of claim 28, wherein R₄ is selected from the group consisting of
(d) C₁₋₄alkyl; and,

10 (e) phenyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl and halogen.

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31. The compound of claim 1, wherein L² is R₄-SO₂- and R₅ is C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or two optionally substituted aryl substituents.

32. The compound of claim 31, wherein R₄ is selected from the group consisting of
(d) C₁₋₄alkyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, hydroxy, aryl and heteroaryl; and,

20 (e) aryl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro.

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33. The compound of claim 1, wherein L² is R₆-NHC(O)-.

34. The compound of claim 33, wherein R₆ is phenyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro.

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35. The compound of claim 1, wherein L² is R₆-NHC(O)- and R₅ is C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or two optionally substituted aryl substituents.

36. The compound of claim 35, wherein R₆ is phenyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro.

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37. The compound of claim 1, wherein R₅ is selected from the group consisting of

(f) C₁₋₄alkyl optionally substituted with one or two aryl substituents, wherein said aryl is optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro, aryl' and heteroaryl;

10 (g) C₃₋₈cycloalkyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,

15 (h) aryl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro.

20 38. The compound of claim 1, wherein R₅ is selected from the group consisting of

(f) C₁₋₄alkyl optionally substituted with one or two aryl substituents, wherein aryl is optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

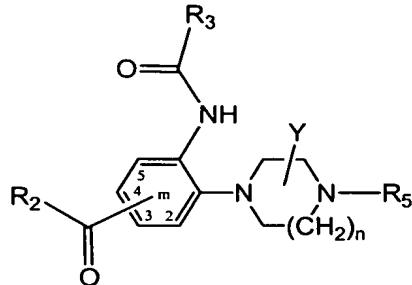
25 (g) C₃₋₈cycloalkyl; and,

(h) aryl.

39. The compound of claim 1, wherein R₅ is C₁₋₄alkyl optionally substituted with one or two phenyl substituents, wherein phenyl is optionally substituted with

30 one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₄alkyl, amino, halogen and hydroxy.

40. The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound of formula (I) is selected from a compound of formula (Ia):



formula (Ia)

and enantiomers, diastereomers and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof, wherein:

R₂-C(O)- is a substituent moiety having a variable position "m", wherein "m"

5 represents a carbon atom number corresponding to a point of attachment for the R₂-C(O)- substituent moiety on the anilino ring of formula (Ia);

R₂ is heterocyclyl optionally substituted on a nitrogen atom with C₁₋₈alkyl;

10 R₃ is selected from the group consisting of

(a) C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, hydroxy, aryl and heteroaryl;

wherein said aryl is optionally substituted with one or more substituents

15 independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,

wherein said heteroaryl is optionally substituted on a secondary amine atom with C₁₋₈alkyl, and optionally and independently substituted on one or

20 more carbon atoms with a substituent selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

(b) aryl optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,

(c) heteroaryl optionally substituted on a secondary amine atom with C₁₋₈alkyl, and optionally and independently substituted on one or more carbon atoms with a substituent selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro and aryl, wherein said aryl is optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

10 R₅ is selected from the group consisting of

(f) C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or more aryl substituents, wherein said aryl is optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro, aryl' and heteroaryl;

15 wherein said aryl' is optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,

20 wherein said heteroaryl is optionally substituted on a secondary amine atom with C₁₋₈alkyl, and optionally and independently substituted on one or more carbon atoms with a substituent selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

25 (g) C₃₋₈cycloalkyl optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,

(h) aryl optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

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Y is one or more optionally present C₁₋₈alkyl substituents optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro, C₃₋₈cycloalkyl, aryl and heteroaryl, wherein said C₃₋₈cycloalkyl, aryl and heteroaryl are optionally further substituted;

m is an integer from 2 to 5 which represents the carbon atom number corresponding to the point of attachment for the R₂-C(O)- substituent moiety on the anilino ring of formula (Ia); and, n is an integer from 1 to 2.

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41. The compound of claim 40, wherein R₃ is selected from the group consisting of

(a) C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, hydroxy, aryl and heteroaryl;

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wherein said aryl is optionally substituted with one or two substituents

independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,

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wherein said heteroaryl is optionally substituted on a secondary amine atom with C₁₋₈alkyl, and optionally and independently substituted on one or two carbon atoms with a substituent selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

(b) aryl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected

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from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,

(c) heteroaryl optionally substituted on a secondary amine atom with C₁₋₈alkyl, and

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optionally and independently substituted on one or two carbon atoms with a substituent selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro and aryl, wherein said aryl is optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy,

amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

R₅ is selected from the group consisting of

5 (f) C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or two aryl substituents, wherein said aryl is optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro, aryl' and heteroaryl;

10 wherein said aryl' is optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,

wherein said heteroaryl is optionally substituted on a secondary amine atom

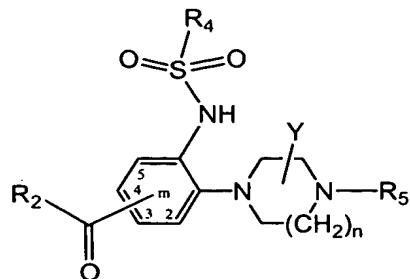
15 with C₁₋₈alkyl, and optionally and independently substituted on one or two carbon atoms with a substituent selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

(g) C₃₋₈cycloalkyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,

(h) aryl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,

Y is one or two optionally present C₁₋₈alkyl substituents optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro, C₃₋₈cycloalkyl, aryl and heteroaryl, wherein said C₃₋₈cycloalkyl, aryl and heteroaryl are optionally further substituted.

42. The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound of formula (I) is selected from a compound of formula (Ib):



formula (Ib)

and enantiomers, diastereomers and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof, wherein:

R₂-C(O)- is a substituent moiety having a variable position "m", wherein "m"

5 represents a carbon atom number corresponding to a point of attachment for the R₂-C(O)- substituent moiety on the anilino ring of formula (Ib);

R₂ is heterocyclyl optionally substituted on a nitrogen atom with C₁₋₈alkyl;

10 R₄ is selected from the group consisting of

(d) C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, hydroxy, aryl and heteroaryl; and,

15 (e) aryl optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

R₅ is selected from the group consisting of

(f) C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or more aryl substituents, wherein said aryl is optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro, aryl' and heteroaryl;

20 wherein said aryl' is optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano,

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halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,
wherein said heteroaryl is optionally substituted on a secondary amine atom
with C₁₋₈alkyl, and optionally and independently substituted on one or
more carbon atoms with a substituent selected from the group consisting
5 of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino,
di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

(g) C₃₋₈cycloalkyl optionally substituted with one or more substituents
independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy,
amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and
10 nitro; and,

(h) aryl optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected
from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino,
mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

15 15 Y is one or more optionally present C₁₋₈alkyl substituents optionally substituted with
one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of
amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy,
nitro, C₃₋₈cycloalkyl, aryl and heteroaryl, wherein said C₃₋₈cycloalkyl, aryl and
heteroaryl are optionally further substituted;

20 20 m is an integer from 2 to 5 which represents the carbon atom number corresponding to
the point of attachment for the R₂-C(O)- substituent moiety on the anilino ring
of formula (Ib); and, n is an integer from 1 to 2.

25 43. The compound of claim 42, wherein
R₄ is selected from the group consisting of
(d) C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently
selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino,
di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, hydroxy, aryl and heteroaryl; and,

30 (e) aryl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected
from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino,
mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

R₅ is selected from the group consisting of

(f) C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or two aryl substituents, wherein said aryl is optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino,

5 mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro, aryl' and heteroaryl;

wherein said aryl' is optionally substituted with one or two substituents

independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl,

C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano,

10 halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,

wherein said heteroaryl is optionally substituted on a secondary amine atom with C₁₋₈alkyl, and optionally and independently substituted on one or two carbon atoms with a substituent selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino,

15 di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

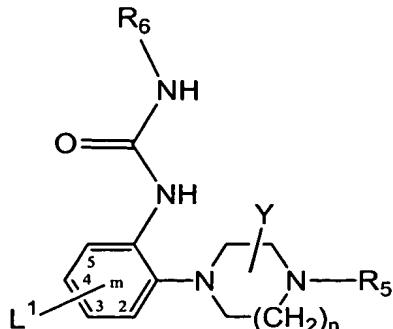
(g) C₃₋₈cycloalkyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,

20 (h) aryl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,

25 Y is one or two optionally present C₁₋₈alkyl substituents optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro, C₃₋₈cycloalkyl, aryl and heteroaryl, wherein said C₃₋₈cycloalkyl, aryl and heteroaryl are optionally further substituted.

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44. The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound of formula (I) is selected from a compound of formula (Ic):



formula (Ic)

and enantiomers, diastereomers and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof, wherein:

L¹ is a substituent moiety having a variable position "m", wherein "m" represents a

5 carbon atom number corresponding to a point of attachment for the L¹ substituent moiety on the anilino ring of formula (Ic);

L¹ is selected from the group consisting of R_{1b}, R_{1a}-SO₂- and R_{1a}-O(O)C-;

10 R_{1a} is C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₈)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₈)alkylamino, halogen and hydroxy;

15 R_{1b} is C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of amino, mono(C₁₋₈)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₈)alkylamino, halogen and hydroxy;

R₆ is aryl optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

R₅ is selected from the group consisting of

20 (f) C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or more aryl substituents, wherein said aryl is optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino,

mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro, aryl' and heteroaryl;

wherein said aryl' is optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl,
5 C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,

wherein said heteroaryl is optionally substituted on a secondary amine atom with C₁₋₈alkyl, and optionally and independently substituted on one or more carbon atoms with a substituent selected from the group consisting
10 of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

(g) C₃₋₈cycloalkyl optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,
15 (h) aryl optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

20 Y is one or more optionally present C₁₋₈alkyl substituents optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro, C₃₋₈cycloalkyl, aryl and heteroaryl, wherein said C₃₋₈cycloalkyl, aryl and heteroaryl are optionally further substituted;

25 m is an integer from 2 to 5 which represents the carbon atom number corresponding to the point of attachment for the L¹ substituent moiety on the anilino ring of formula (Ic); and, n is an integer from 1 to 2.

30 45. The compound of claim 44, wherein R_{1a} is C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₈)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₈)alkylamino, halogen and hydroxy;

R_{1b} is C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of amino, mono(C₁₋₈)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₈)alkylamino, halogen and hydroxy;

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R₆ is aryl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

10 R₅ is selected from the group consisting of

(f) C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or two aryl substituents, wherein said aryl is optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro, aryl' and heteroaryl;

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wherein said aryl' is optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,

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wherein said heteroaryl is optionally substituted on a secondary amine atom with C₁₋₈alkyl, and optionally and independently substituted on one or two carbon atoms with a substituent selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

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(g) C₃₋₈cycloalkyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,

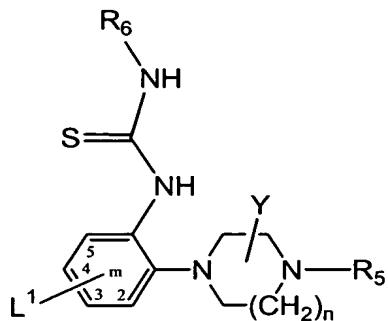
(h) aryl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected

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from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,

Y is one or two optionally present C₁₋₈alkyl substituents optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro, C₃₋₈cycloalkyl, aryl and heteroaryl, wherein said C₃₋₈cycloalkyl, aryl and heteroaryl are optionally further substituted.

5 46. The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound of formula (I) is selected from a compound of formula (Id):



formula (Id)

and enantiomers, diastereomers and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof, wherein:

10 L¹ is a substituent moiety having a variable position "m", wherein "m" represents a carbon atom number corresponding to a point of attachment for the L¹ substituent moiety on the anilino ring of formula (Id);

L¹ is selected from the group consisting of R_{1b}, R₂-C(O)-, R_{1a}-SO₂- and R_{1a}-O(O)C-;

15 R_{1a} is C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₈)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₈)alkylamino, halogen and hydroxy;

20 R_{1b} is C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of amino, mono(C₁₋₈)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₈)alkylamino, halogen and hydroxy;

R₂ is heterocyclyl optionally substituted on a nitrogen atom with C₁₋₈alkyl;

R₆ is aryl optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

5 R₅ is selected from the group consisting of

(f) C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or more aryl substituents, wherein said aryl is optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro, aryl' and heteroaryl;
10 wherein said aryl' is optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,

15 wherein said heteroaryl is optionally substituted on a secondary amine atom with C₁₋₈alkyl, and optionally and independently substituted on one or more carbon atoms with a substituent selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

20 (g) C₃₋₈cycloalkyl optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,

(h) aryl optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;
25

Y is one or more optionally present C₁₋₈alkyl substituents optionally substituted with one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro, C₃₋₈cycloalkyl, aryl and heteroaryl, wherein said C₃₋₈cycloalkyl, aryl and heteroaryl are optionally further substituted;
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m is an integer from 2 to 5 which represents the carbon atom number corresponding to the point of attachment for the L¹ substituent moiety on the anilino ring of formula (Id); and, n is an integer from 1 to 2.

5 47. The compound of claim 46, wherein

R_{1a} is C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₈)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₈)alkylamino, halogen and hydroxy;

10 R_{1b} is C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of amino, mono(C₁₋₈)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₈)alkylamino, halogen and hydroxy;

R₆ is aryl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected
15 from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

R₅ is selected from the group consisting of

(f) C₁₋₈alkyl optionally substituted with one or two aryl substituents, wherein said aryl is optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro, aryl' and heteroaryl;

20 wherein said aryl' is optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,

25 wherein said heteroaryl is optionally substituted on a secondary amine atom with C₁₋₈alkyl, and optionally and independently substituted on one or two carbon atoms with a substituent selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

(g) C₃₋₈cycloalkyl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently

selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro; and,

(h) 5 aryl optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₁₋₈alkyl, C₁₋₈alkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy and nitro;

Y is one or two optionally present C₁₋₈alkyl substituents optionally substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of amino, 10 mono(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, di(C₁₋₄)alkylamino, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, nitro, C₃₋₈cycloalkyl, aryl and heteroaryl, wherein said C₃₋₈cycloalkyl, aryl and heteroaryl are optionally further substituted.

48. A compound selected from the group consisting of:

N-[2-[4-(diphenylmethyl)-1-piperazinyl]-5-(1-piperazinylcarbonyl)phenyl]-4-methyl-benzamide;

5-(4-chlorophenyl)-N-[2-[4-(diphenylmethyl)-1-piperazinyl]-5-(1-piperazinylcarbonyl)phenyl]-2-methyl-3-furancarboxamide;

N-[2-[4-(diphenylmethyl)-1-piperazinyl]-5-(1-piperazinylcarbonyl)phenyl]-2-furancarboxamide;

N-[2-[4-(diphenylmethyl)-1-piperazinyl]-5-(1-piperazinylcarbonyl)phenyl]-propanamide;

N-[2-[4-(diphenylmethyl)-1-piperazinyl]-5-(1-piperazinylcarbonyl)phenyl]-4-methyl-benzenesulfonamide;

4-chloro-N-[2-[4-(diphenylmethyl)-1-piperazinyl]-5-(1-piperazinylcarbonyl)phenyl]-benzenesulfonamide;

N-[2-[4-(diphenylmethyl)-1-piperazinyl]-5-(1-piperazinylcarbonyl)phenyl]-1-butanesulfonamide;

N-[2-[4-(diphenylmethyl)-1-piperazinyl]-5-(1-piperazinylcarbonyl)phenyl]-methanesulfonamide;

N-[2-[4-(diphenylmethyl)-1-piperazinyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)phenyl]-N'-phenyl-urea.

N-[2-[4-[bis(4-fluorophenyl)methyl]-1-piperazinyl]-5-(hydroxymethyl)phenyl]-N'-phenyl-urea; and,

4-[4-[bis(4-fluorophenyl)methyl]-1-piperazinyl]-3-[[phenylamino]carbonyl]amino]-benzoic acid methyl ester.

49. A composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, excipient, tabletting ingredient or diluent and the compound of claim 1.
50. A method of treating or preventing a disease or condition in a subject which disease or condition is affected by phospholipase modulation, which method comprises administering to the subject in need of such treatment or prevention a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of claim 1.
51. The method of claim 50, wherein the method further comprises administering to the subject in need of such treatment or prevention a therapeutically effective amount of the composition of claim 49.
52. A method of treating or ameliorating an inflammatory disorder in a subject in need thereof comprising administering to the subject a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of claim 1.
53. The method of claim 52, wherein the method further comprises administering to the subject a therapeutically effective amount of the composition of claim 49.
- 20 54. A method of treating or ameliorating restenosis in a subject in need thereof comprising administering to the subject a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of claim 1 by impregnating the therapeutically effective amount of said compound on the surface of a medical device and administering the medical device to the subject.
- 25 55. The method of claim 54, wherein the method further comprises a therapeutically effective amount of the composition of claim 49 impregnated on the surface of said medical device.